

FORTIETH YEAR.

COLUMBUS, MISSISSIPPI, SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 1919.

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BAPTISTS MEET  
AT TUPELODR. GAMBRELL OF TEXAS  
THRILLS CONVENTION  
WITH GREAT ADDRESS.

## 100 DELEGATES

Review of Work—Reports From  
Colleges—Other Items of  
Interest of State.

TUPELO, Miss., Nov. 12.—The Mississippi Baptist Convention was called to order by President B. G. Lowrey, of Blue Mountain. Prayer was offered by E. L. Wisson of Holly Springs.

President Lowrey read the following telegram:

Nashville, Tenn.  
President and Messengers of the Baptist Convention, Tupelo, Miss:  
I pray that you have the greatest convention in all your history. We face the greatest hour for Baptists since Pentecost.

Go back home to bear your cross of difficulties, and become more than conquerors for millions. — Isaiah 57:7-10, 2 Cor. 2:14.

L. R. SCARBOROUGH.  
Dr. Scarborough is manager of the \$75,000,000 campaign.

The convention re-elected President B. G. Lowrey as president of the convention by acclamation. W. M. Whittington and R. B. Gunter were elected vice-presidents; Walter E. Lee was re-elected secretary; Martil Ball of Clarksdale, was elected press reporter.

Dr. J. B. Gambrell, acting president of the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary at Fort Worth, Texas, was introduced and spoke on the \$75,000,000 campaign. He gave an account of the origin of this great movement. He held the audience that filled the spacious auditorium of the First Baptist Church spellbound sometimes laughing and again weeping profusely. It was a thrilling hour. He said the Southwestern Theological Seminary has enrolled this session 447 students. He said he was afraid that many of us will be little in the biggest day since the resurrection. A text for you to hunt, "The Lord tryeth the righteous." The Lord is going to try you in this great campaign. At the conclusion of the talk the audience sang "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name."

At the conclusion of the day's proceedings prayer was offered by Capt. Thomas Speight of Ripley.

Wednesday morning session. The sun rose bright and beautiful. Every body seemed happy. Promptly at 8:45 President Lowrey called the convention to order. Devotions were conducted by Dr. Farrar of Amory. He read Heb. 1 and commented on the text, "How shall we escape if we neglect so great salvation?"

The report of the trustees of Mississippi College and read by M. O. Patterson.

The college is entering upon an era of unprecedented greatness and prosperity. The enrollment this year is 364. This enrollment will easily reach the 400 mark. The faculty is strong and efficient. The college is supplied with its own water and light plant. The religious spirit of the college is splendid. People are being saved at the regular services. Ten men during the session have yielded themselves to preach the gospel.

The report of the trustees of the Woman's College at Hattiesburg was presented by President J. L. Johnson. The session of 1918-19 was an eventful time in the history of the Woman's College. The enrollment reached another high-tide mark in a total of 426. The O'Brian Hall was burned March 10. Of the \$150,000 proposed by the education commission \$50,000 cash was raised in Hattiesburg.

The books of the college have been audited by Auditor Crook and show a credit balance of \$9,000. The enrollment is 450. Some fees have been returned, suit to procure places. The slogan, "A thousand students in five years," will come true if we can get the dormitories. Two new dormitories are about ready now. The new dining hall room has a seating capacity of 350. The faculty is able and loyal. The student body is as fine a crowd of girls as ever entered college walls. On consecration day over 100 girls offered themselves for special Christian work.

The pastors' conference of Mississippi Baptist pastors, which convenes the day previous to the convention

## SIXTEEN PAGES TODAY.

There are sixteen pages in today's issue, the usual size of the Sunday Dispatch. See that you get both sections of your paper. It is printed in two separate sections.

Both sections are full of good live news and interesting advertising. Read the advertisements. There are offerings in them that will appeal to everyone.

IMPERIAL PRINCE  
AND WIFE COMINGTelegram Received Yesterday From  
Distinguished Dokey  
Head.

A telegram was received yesterday from Imperial Prince Harry W. Nice of Baltimore, stating that his wife would accompany him on the occasion of his visit to Columbus Thanksgiving Day for the Dokey ceremonial. Mr. Nice is Imperial Prince of the Dokeys, the highest official station in the Dokeys in America.

Arrangements are being made for an elaborate reception for the Imperial Prince and the Imperial Princess. They will arrive at 3:25 o'clock on Thanksgiving afternoon and they will be met at the train by a big Dokey committee and a committee of ladies.

The parade will be formed at the station and the Imperial Prince's entry into the city will be a royal and spectacular one. Music will be furnished by the A. and M. cadet band of forty pieces.

Invitations have been extended to the temples in a number of large cities and many visitors from these points are expected to be in attendance as well as a large delegation from all sections of the State.

## SUGAR SITUATION ACUTE.

The sugar situation in Columbus and the Columbus territory as is the case all over the country, is growing more acute every day.

The city is virtually out of sugar and the same condition prevails over the territory. The retailers and jobbers are entirely out, but some consumers have limited quantities on hand yet.

Another shipment is expected this week. It will be the same dark brown sugar that the South has been using for weeks now.

It is believed that it will be January 1, before good white sugar will be coming through again.

In the meantime during the shortage substitutes such as molasses are being used.

## WEEKLY COTTON REPORT.

Following is the weekly cotton report of the Columbus Cotton Exchange for the week ending Friday, Nov. 14:

Bales received, last report	7,848
Corresponding date	10,886
Receipts this week	1,315
Corresponding date	900
Shipments last report	3,657
Shipments this week	809
Total shipments	3,466
Corresponding date	8,168
Stock on hand	6,258
Corresponding date	4,031

proper, met on Monday night. The nominee, Rev. C. W. Knight of Corinth, preached a great stirring sermon from the text John xvii, 15. He showed why the Christian was left in the world.

Something over 100 pastors were present. All of them full of enthusiasm. The great question of raising the \$75,000,000 for missions, education and all eleemosynary institutions. The preachers all over the state showed a deep and profound interest in accomplishing the mighty task for the glory of God. Rev. M. J. Derrick of Sumrall was elected president and Rev. Martin Ball of Clarksdale was chosen secretary.

The town of Tupelo, irrespective of denomination, is sparing no effort to make all feel welcome. The hospitality is unbounded.

Rev. J. A. Rogers of Amory is acting as pastor of the church during the sessions of the convention. The church has not yet secured a successor to Dr. J. J. Clear, who went to Texarkana, Tex.

Dr. J. B. Gambrell, acting president of the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary at Fort Worth, Tex., was present during the sessions of the convention.

ORDERLY CROWDS  
ON CIRCUS DAYTREMENDOUS CROWDS IN  
COLUMBUS ALL DAY  
LAST FRIDAY FOR  
CIRCUS.

## WAS WELL ORDERED

Few Automobile Smash-Ups  
Were Only Features That  
Marred The Day In  
Any Way.

In the days of John Barleycorn circus days were days of disorder, personal difficulties and wholesale disorders in general.

But Friday Columbus was thronged with the largest crowd that has gathered here in many days. It was circus day and a more orderly crowd probably never gathered in any place before.

Collisions of humans were replaced by collisions of motor vehicles and a few automobiles accidents were the only disconcerting features of the occasion.

There were from 3,000 to 5,000 people in Columbus for the circus and both performances at the big Haggenbeck-Wallace show were witnessed by record crowds. It is estimated that fully 5,000 people witnessed each performance. The seating capacity of the big tent was around 5,000 and it was filled to overflowing for the afternoon performance and nearly all the seats were occupied at the night performance.

The big street parade was the principal public feature. It passed up Seventh street to College and east on College to the Southern depot and up Main to Fourth street and south to the show grounds.

The circus showed on the Maxwell lot on South Seventh avenue and the "chow" and other auxiliary tents were pitched on a block near the old fair grounds.

What probably would have been a serious or perhaps fatal accident was narrowly averted when two automobiles collided on a blind corner at the intersection of South 11th Street and Fifth Avenue. Mr. Duff Stephens was driving a Ford runabout north along Eleventh Street and Mr. J. Yarborough of Vernon, Alabama, smashed into him from Fifth Avenue. Both Mr. Yarborough and Mr. Stephens were hurled from their cars and the former sustained three broken ribs. Mr. Stephens's car tumbled in a deep ditch by the side of the street. Two other passengers in the Alabama car were thrown out but escaped without serious injury.

On College Street a run-away horse in the wake of the parade smashed into an automobile near the college, and did considerable damage to the car.

The congestion in the business section looked like a hopeless tangle during the hour of the street parade. The streets are torn up and traffic was thoroughly demoralized. Fortunately no serious collisions and smashups occurred.

It was the first time a circus had exhibited in Columbus in five years and thousands of people flocked to this city to witness it. They came from all the nearby towns and all the country side. Hundreds of people from western Alabama communities drove their cars to Columbus and more than a hundred cadets from the A. & M. College came to Columbus for the night performance.

Sunday night Mr. Sam Kaye driving a Ford closed car collided with Beard's delivery car. Both cars sustaining serious damage.

Another unoward incident was the stealing of a ring from one of the show people by a negro boy. The boy was apprehended and the ring restored to the owner.

## GOES TO PHILADELPHIA.

The community will regret to learn that Mr. John Farmer and family will leave this week for Philadelphia, Miss., where they go to take charge of the hotel at that place. Mr. Farmer surrendered the lease of the Commercial here a few months ago, and purchased a home, but his plans have been changed very much since then. The friends of him and his wife and family will regret their going and will be ready to welcome their return at any time. As Trippett says, "Hurry back."

Mr. Ira T. Gaston returned Friday from a business trip to St. Louis.

CONFERENCE ON  
AT WASHINGTONOPERATORS AND MINERS  
MEET TO ADJUST WAGE  
SCALE; MEETING IN  
WASHINGTON.

## DELAY FEARED

Predicted That Normal Production  
May Be Postponed  
Sixty Days—Save  
Coal.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14.—Holding that their participation might be construed as acceptance of the union principle, operators of non-union coal mines outside of the central competitive field announced here today after a conference that they probably would not accept the invitation of Secretary Wilson to take part in the conferences between union miners and operators.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14.—It will take 60 days before normal coal production is resumed, despite the peace conference which the secretary of labor has called into session, William C. Green, secretary-treasurer of the United Mine Workers of America, declared when he arrived here. Green declared that the original demands of the miners will be insisted upon. He prophesied a long and bitter struggle in the conference.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14.—Coal miners and operators prepared themselves today for a long drawn out struggle over wages and working conditions.

Secretary of Labor Wilson's conference of miners and operators, resulting from the strike, was ready to get under way with both parties letting it be known that while they were ready for negotiations they were not ready to make large concessions.

The miners arrived here full of hope and insisted upon their demands for a new contract.

Operators Determined.  
Coal operators from the bituminous fields arriving in Washington presented an attitude of determination as they prepared to go into conference with the representatives of the mine workers not to yield at any point to the demands concerning wages and hours that are being urged upon them.

The bitterness of the situation is reflected in the statements of many of the operators who are reaching the city to the effect that the miners on their payrolls have refused to return to work, notwithstanding the strike recall order of Acting President Lewis. Some of these operators frankly asserted that the strike recall order has not been taken seriously by the mine workers or by the officials of local unions.

The operators announced that the Washington wage agreement would be taken up, as this is the bone of contention, it was predicted that it might take some time to get down to the real business of negotiation.

Many of the representatives of the operators, coming from far western points, will not arrive until late tomorrow and there was a general movement under way to make today's session merely a formal one and to defer work until Monday, when both sides will be fully represented.

Hotel corridors were buzzing here today with talk of coal. The conference will have more than 150 members and there is a large staff of aides. The operators have brought to Washington their best legal talent and are prepared to argue their case as in court. The miners are also represented here by some of their most astute attorneys.

Garfield to Participate.  
Success of the conference depends on all parties coming into the parley "without commitments," Fuel Administrator Garfield said today.

Dr. Garfield arrived here this morning at the invitation of Secretary Wilson, who desires his assistance in the conference. Although the strike of miners has been called off, Dr. Garfield retains all the war-time powers which the president again conferred on him when the strike was called.

Seeking To Avoid Trouble.  
Attorney General Palmer today was ready to bend every effort to see that conditions in the coal fields do not lead to trouble while the conference is in session. The Department of Justice was investigating re-

FORTY MEN GOING  
IN PYTHIAN LODGEGREAT TIDE IS SWEEPING  
TOWARD PYTHIANISM  
IN COLUMBUS; LIST  
OF NAMES.

## 40 NEW MEMBERS

Lodge Getting Ready For Big  
Ceremonial On Thanksgiving  
Day; Interest Is  
Growing Daily.

A great tide of Pythianism is sweeping over Columbus.

This is evidenced by the fact that over forty new members are in process of elevation to the rank of Knighthood in the order and applications are coming in every day.

On the afternoon of Armistice Day a special session was held during the afternoon and degrees were conferred on a large number of candidates.

The lodge is working under a special dispensation which was granted by the Grand Chancellor in order to allow the lodge here to confer all of its degrees in time for the big Dokey ceremonial on Thanksgiving Day.

Consequently, under pressure of the large number of applications and the limited time between now and the day of the ceremonial, the lodge is working overtime and going ahead under full steam.

Never before in the history of fraternalism in Columbus has a lodge been so overwhelmed with applications without some specially organized drive or the organization of a special class.

In the list of new members there are ten re-initiations of former members of the lodge.

The following have been elected to membership: Albert C. E. Pierce, A. C. Pettus, L. W. Caldwell, J. E. Barrow, C. O. Long and J. W. Theford.

The rank of Page will be conferred on the following this week: Messrs. W. E. Pope, Jr., Gus Hauer, V. H. Austin, J. G. Wood, C. C. Crippen, G. M. Jones, E. B. Starnes.

The rank of Page has been conferred on the following: Messrs. P. L. Wells, D. G. Spence, H. W. Greenburg, C. E. Negman, M. D. Thomas, M. J. Ingilbert, B. D. Goods and A. C. Peterson.

The following have received the rank of Knight: Messrs. H. E. Farrier, J. E. Card, Eugene Boarden, C. H. Brown, Jr., J. G. Pennington, W. L. Holt, J. W. McManus, W. G. Davis, J. T. Armstrong, H. F. Schmitt, B. F. Midgett, and T. L. Dowdle.

Membership by card: Messrs. C. W. West, H. L. Basinger, Sid Gardner, W. T. Stephenson, A. Y. Glover, Moss Hendricks, H. V. Wingfield, J. B. Boucher, J. V. Doherty, H. L. Bailey.

Plans for the big Dokey ceremonial are materializing rapidly and it is expected that a record class will be installed. It is believed that the class will number between seventy-five and a hundred.

Music for the parade and ceremonial and banquet will be furnished by the big A. & M. cadet band.

## DOKEY MEETING TODAY.

There will be a rehearsal of the Dokeys this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the Odd Fellows building. All members are urged to be present.

Hon. John Emmon and wife of Vincennes, Indiana, spent the past week in this city as a visit to Mr. William Simpson. They left for Florida last Friday.

ported "overt" acts by both the miners and the operators.

The attorney general gave indication that an inquiry should be made of charges that miners returning to their work in Alabama were being discharged because they had gone on strike.

Instructions for investigations were also given concerning reports that union miners in Illinois had driven caretakers from the mines.

The government will seek injunctions against agitators who attempt to prevent miners from returning to their work in accordance with the order issued by Judge Anderson in Indianapolis, the department of justice announced this afternoon.

Attorney General Palmer this afternoon instructed all district attorneys to use every effort to secure injunctions against any who "preach defiance of the court order."

WOODMEN RESIST  
INCREASED RATESRADICAL CHANGES IN LAW  
AT SOVEREIGN GRAND  
LODGE MEET WITH  
OPPOSITION.

## RATES ENJOINED

Fifteen States Line Up For  
Fight; Woodmen Here Active;  
Convention Held In  
St. Louis.

Woodmen of the World—and there are six hundred members in this city of Queen City Camp No. 23, besides the other camps in the county—are very much concerned over the radical and revolutionary changes made in the fundamental principles of the order at the last session of the Sovereign lodge held in Chicago, and the more the changes are understood, the manner in which they were made and the far reaching effect they have on the very foundation of the order the more widespread is becoming their dissatisfaction. The matter which concerns them most is the changes—that is increases—made in their insurance rates and it not without the realm of possibility that Mississippi may unite with a number of other states, in fighting the radical increases which if proposed will go into effect next January. Already the Woodmen Defense Association has been organized in Alabama, with such prominent citizens as Judge Weakli in its membership with the avowed purpose of enjoying the order from the enforcement of its new rates and the movement has received impetus from West Virginia, Illinois, Missouri, Oklahoma, Texas, Florida. In fact fifteen states have lined up for the fight to defeat the drastic changes and to ask for a full investigation of the affairs of the order. A meeting of the representatives of all these states is to be held in St. Louis on November the 24th and a plan of procedure will be outlined for them. Already the order has been enjoined from putting into effect the new rates in the State of Nebraska and once in the courts the whole matter will be aired.

The necessity for the increase of rate is clothed in a general statement that it is made imperative by insurance laws of the several states in which the order operates, but this is denied by those familiar with the order whose resources are said to meet the requirements of all insurance departments. The changes in the laws of the order were made at the July session of the Sovereign Grand Lodge held in Chicago and the claim is freely set forth that the legislation was railroaded through the body by the Sovereign Commander and his cohort of satellites and that their adoption was wholly illegal. The fact that the Sovereign Commander's salary was raised from \$12,500 to \$25,000 and that all other salaries were similarly boosted and other offices heretofore regarded as honorary were put on the pay roll has caused the members to do some tall thinking. But the feature which has aroused and is arousing the most opposition is the increase of rates. Hundreds of thousands of men have joined the order in the past under the assurance that it was purely a fraternal beneficiary society. All of these men have paid its obligations with the idea that they were receiving protection and now they find under operation of this law they are to have their rates advanced, or are to have their certificates reduced or if the rates are to be continued they must pay a lien in cash. The table of increases has just been published in the official organ of the order which even member receives and it is such a radical increase that everywhere it is being opposed.

The matter will be brought to the attention of the order in this State with the idea of getting opposition to the enforcement of the new rates at an early date.

Mrs. Ramah Perkerson, of this city has accepted a position as stenographer in the law office of Judge J. W. Mack at Marks, Miss.

Mr. J. W. Vaughn of the Cherokee neighborhood, was in the city last Thursday and renewed his subscription to the Dispatch for the thirtieth year. Mr. Vaughn has sold his farm and is contemplating removing to Birmingham to make that city his home.

## TO RED CROSS CHAIRMEN:

As we wish to make a final report to headquarters, you will please turn in the contributions with receipts and buttons at once. Funds can be left with Mr. I. L. Gaston at the First State Bank.

Please give this your immediate attention.

W. N. PUCKETT,  
County Chairman.

AUBURN HUMBLER  
AGGIES, SCORE 7-0Powerful Miss. A. and M. Team Went  
Down In Defeat Before  
Alabamians.

The powerful Mississippi A. and M. College eleven went down in defeat before the Auburn Tigers in Birmingham yesterday afternoon, score 7 to 0.

The Alabamians won in the first quarter, and both teams fought like tigers through the balance of the game. The Aggies made desperate efforts to overcome the lead of the hosts eleven, but to no avail.

Interest all over the South was centered in the game on account of the records of the two teams. The Mississippi Aggies had won six straight victories.

## SENATOR MARTIN DEAD.

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va., Nov. 12.—Senator Thomas S. Martin, the Democratic leader in the Senate, died here today after an illness of several months. He was 72 years old.

Senator Martin had been confined to his bed since last July, when he was forced to give up active work in the United States Senate after a continuous service of 24 years. He was brought to his home near here and later taken to a hospital for treatment. He suffered from a leaking heart valve.

His condition took a turn for the worse two weeks ago and members of his family were summoned to his bedside.

## VARDAMAN ORGAN SOLD.

KOSCIUSKO, Miss., Nov. 12.—The Kosciusko Herald, owned by W. M. Noah, postmaster of Kosciusko, was sold yesterday to Sanders and Sanders, editors and owners of the Kosciusko Star-Ledger, the consideration being \$3,000. The Messrs. Sanders will issue both papers until Jan. 1, 1920, when they will be consolidated.

The Kosciusko Herald has been an ardent supporter of ex-Senator James K. Vardaman and Congressman T. U. Sisson for a number of years, and also supported Gov.-elect Lee M. Russell in his campaign last summer. The Herald enjoyed a wide circulation and its influence was felt in all sections of the county and state. The sale of the Herald leaves the supporters of Mr. Vardaman without an organ in this part of the state, and a movement has already been started to establish a new paper, which will probably make its appearance about Jan. 1.

NEARING RED  
CROSS QUOTACounty Is Still Short Of Its Full  
Quota In Red Cross  
Drive.

Indications now point to the ultimate success of the Red Cross drive in Columbus and Lowndes county for members and cash contributions.

But for the campaign to be successful those who have not contributed must come forward with their memberships. Nearly \$2,000 has been raised thus far and this is a few hundred short of the county's quota.

The committee at the college yesterday turned in \$137, and there are several committees yet to be heard from and some of the districts in the county have not yet reported.

All who have not joined are urged to send in their memberships immediately.

## SHIPPING LIVESTOCK.

Mr. C. G. Guice, livestock dealer of this city, has returned from a business trip to Natchez, Vicksburg and points in Louisiana. He shipped five cars of hogs while away. This week about Tuesday he expects to ship a car of hogs from this city.

Mr. Walter Beard, now engaged in the real estate business at Leland, Miss., is in the city to spend the Sabbath with home folks.